BRISBANE
THIS WEEK

Explaining to Canada Mr. Morgenthau's Work; A West Point for Crime; Alfred du Pont

Canada, hearing of a proposed United States "camouflaged military airplane base near her border," asks for information. The State department will gladly supply it.

No military forts separate these two countries, no battleships on the big lakes. Friendship with both sides, being idealized, and so capable of attacking each other, neighbor countries are the other owns.

Arthur Brisbane

Some day, let us hope, the two countries will be one, by mutual consent, or Canada might annex the United States in a friendly way, if that were more acceptable, a majority of voters ruling.

The North American continent, from the Mexican border to the North pole, should be one nation, or if Mexico and others would come in, all the way down to the Panama canal, so much the better.

There will be no war between this country and any part of the British empire. Common sense insists it. Any air base of ours would probably be as useful to Canada as to ourselves, and we should be delighted to see Canada establish a string of air bases to the north of us, especially along her Pacific and Atlantic coasts.

Secretary Morgenthau, never in business as a banker, interested, personally, in farming more than in money, has shown the outside world, to his surprise, that he can make the American dollar keep its place in the procession, regardless of many billions of bond issues, no gold bars and other novelties.

Gamblers that ordinarily enjoy speculation in "exchange" are afraid of the American dollar. And curiously, while some Americans are sending money to other countries, to make it "safe," foreigners, and especially Britishers, are investing more and more heavily in the United States.

Washington discusses a "West Point for war on crime," a semi-military school under the attorney general to train fighters to meet the national crime army, that collects almost as much money as the national government itself takes in.

The war would be simple if governments would treat crime as it would an outbreak of yellow fever, or cholera, cholera, taking it really seriously.

Habitual criminals are known, men of ten or fifteen convictions, racketeers, gunmen. Make it clear that once locked up they would never get out so long as they lived and you would see the crime fade away.

Very bad news for this country, in which efficiency and energy count as public asset number one, is the sudden death of Alfred du Pont, stricken with heart disease in his residence near Jacksonville, Fla. At seventy years of age Mr. du Pont was planning, as he should be, all sorts of new enterprises that would have been interesting to him. He needed no more money, wanted to be useful.

Great Britain is excited about the German building submarines, especially annoyed to learn that the submarines are of a "super" type, carrying guns as well as torpedo tubes, able to hunt British or other ships anywhere on earth, some alleged to carry a small airplane, easily launched. Britain has plane-carrying submarines, but that is different. German submarines now finished are about to start maneuver practice off Wilhelmshafen.

Nations rise to great heights, glory, one power, then crumble, disappear; desert sands cover their streets and temples. Patient archeology digs them out and wonders. Read Volney's "Ruins of Empires" to find that process well described.

What causes it? Do nations grow old and die "naturally," inevitably, as individuals do? Sometimes plagues wipe them out: the black death nearly destroyed Europe. Malaria tore down the power of Rome and recently killed some 50,000, following a sudden mosquito attack in the Far East.

You are not surprised to learn, in spite of pacifist protests and protests from certain Japanese who are not pacifists, the President thinks it wise to explore around and see just what this country needs in the way of "defense methods" on the Pacific.

Curacao a West Indies

Curacao, in the Dutch West Indies, might be a town in old Holland except for its tropical climate, since its founders built it almost entirely in accord with the architectural traditions of their homeland.

The Three Musketeers

In Dumas' romances the three Musketeers were Athos, Porthos and Aramis. D'Artagnan is the fourth of the group of friends and his life and exploits form the thread of the Dumas tales.

News Review of Current Events the World Over

Senate Committee Defies President and Richberg on NRA Extension—Roosevelt Lists "Must" Bills and Business Opposes Them.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

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DISREGARDING the wishes of President Roosevelt, the finance committee of the senate adopted and reported for passage a simple resolution

Donald Richberg

continuing the national recovery act until April 1, 1936, and at the same time making these provisions:

1. No price fixing shall be permitted or sanctioned in codes, except in those relating to mineral or natural resources which now have price fixing provisions.

2. No trade engaged in intrastate commerce shall be eligible for a code.

3. The President is given specified time in which to review present codes to earn a part of the complaints laid down in the first two exceptions to the resolution.

Both President Roosevelt and Donald Richberg, head of the NRA, had urged the passage of a new two year NRA bill which would set up a stricter dictatorship over business and industry. The senate finance committee, however, would not consent to this and instead passed the resolution, which was drawn up by Senator Clark of Missouri and approved by Chairman Pat Harrison. Twelve senators first called at the White House and the President seemed willing to accept the continuing resolution until Mr. Richberg came in and protested urgently; whereupon Mr. Roosevelt turned it down. The committee then took the action noted by a vote of 16 to 3, defying both the President and Richberg.

Senator Harrison said he had no doubt the senate would adopt the resolution with little debate.

Both houses of congress were gathering in Washington for their twenty-third annual convention, and naturally their speakers endorsed it and attacked much of the proposed legislation mentioned as unwarranted intrusion of the government into business.

Before it adjourned the chamber adopted resolutions condemning abolition of utility holding companies, opposing the banking bill, asking for relaxation and extension of the NRA instead of the administration bill, and postponing "for further study" the question of social security.

Henry I. Harriman, who has been president of the organization for three years, retired from that office in favor of Harper Sibley of Rochester, N. Y.

HOW the New Dealers propose to redistribute wealth by double taxation of large estates is revealed by Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau in a letter to Senator Pat Harrison, chairman of the senate finance committee. Mr. Morgenthau outlines a plan of imposing inheritance taxes and also retaining the existing estate taxes, asserting this is in line with "our fundamental objectives." That this would result in the dissolution of large properties, the secretary recognizes, for he says:

Secretary Morgenthau

"To prevent the necessity of hasty liquidation of large properties in order to pay the tax, it might be provided that inheritance taxes be payable in a convenient number of installments."

The plan as outlined by Mr. Morgenthau is to impose graduated inheritance taxes on estates, with rates following those of the present estate tax law by which approximate 60 per cent on incomes of a million dollars or more. The present estate taxes have a maximum of 60 per cent over ten million dollars.

Thus there would first be a tax of 60 per cent upon the estate or gift, and then another tax of 60 per cent, to be paid by those inheriting or receiving it. This would amount to a combined rate of 85 per cent on an estate of one hundred million dollars.

If all this money were handed out to the people, even Huey Long might be satisfied.

SECRETARY ICKES' Department of the Interior has now been elevated to the level of the State, Treasury and Agriculture departments, for congress has approved one of Harold's dearest wishes and given him an underscore. His salary is to be $10,000 a year. This was a senate amendment to the Interior department appropriation bill, and was accepted by the house. 243 to 92, only after considerable pressure had been applied by the administration. Many of the house Democrats have asserted that Mr. Ickes snubbed them, and they would have liked nothing better than to administer a rebuke to him by defeating the amendment, but the party leaders drove them into line.

ARIZONA'S victory over the government in the Parker dam case ruled out the Supreme court alarmed the New Dealers for the safety of the Tennessee Valley and other big projects of the same nature. The court decided that Secretary Ickes, as public works administrator, was without authority to dam navigable rivers unless specifically ordered by congress and that the law creating the PWA had not listed any such specific projects as the Parker dam. The same applies to many huge reclamation projects that have received PWA funds, and it is not unlikely that suits will be brought to stop some of them. Mr. Ickes said congress would be asked to authorize specifically the construction of the Parker dam.

FEDERAL Judges Woodward, Wilkerson and Lindley of Chicago are not going to be impeached, for the house subcommittee investigating their bankruptcy receiverships and practices reported the evidence taken did not warrant such action. The report said that in several instances "conduct prejudicial to the dignity of the federal judiciary" was disclosed, but that substantial improvements had been made both in the rules of the court and in the law applicable to the administrator of receiverships and bankruptcy litigation.

CHAIRMAN JOHN J. McSWAIN of the house military affairs committee sent to the President a letter of apology for disclosure of defense plans outlined in executive sessions of the committee, and assumed full responsibility for "the unfortunate incident."

McSwain was rebuked by letter from the President for the publication in a house document of possible defense plans against Canada and British and French islands in the Atlantic and the Caribbean in the event of war. Brig. Gens. F. M. Andrews and Charles E. Kilbourne had outlined the program before a secret meeting of the committee.

FOREIGN MINISTER PIERRE LAVAL of France and Ambassador Potemkin of Russia finally fixed up the mutual assistance pact between the two countries in a way acceptable to both and it was signed in Paris. M. Laval then prepared to leave for Moscow, planning to stop in Warsaw en route.

It would seem that Laval had his way with the treaty, for it subordinates military action of the two powers to the procedure of the League of Nations, to provisions of the Locarno pact and also to the Franco-Polish alliance. All of that probably would keep France out of war even if Russia were attacked. In Paris it was taken for granted that a secret military convention, supplementing the pact, would soon be signed, fixing the methods of mutual assistance.

SETTING a new transcontinental record for transport ships, a TWA test plane flew from Burbank, Calif., to New York in 11 hours and 5 minutes. What is more important, for all but about one hundred miles it was controlled by a robot pilot. D. W. Tomlinson, the pilot, was accompanied by Harold Neal, expert on radio beam flying, and Peter Redpath, navigation engineer. The ship encountered storms for only three brief intervals—over the San Bernardino range, at Durango, Colo., where a snowstorm was encountered, and at the landing at Floyd Bennett field. The average speed on the record cruising speed of 202 miles an hour over the Allegheny mountains.

TEXANS are going to have the opportunity of deciding whether their state shall remain dry or fall into line with most other states and repeal the prohibition law. The legislature has voted to submit the question to popular action.

Under the resolution adopted the vote would be held next August 24. Regulation would be left to the legislature and at the general election in 1936 a vote would be taken on a mandatory state monopoly over the sale of hard liquor. Local option would be preserved under the law, straight repeal and the monopoly under the straight vote system, which also would bar the return of the open saloon.

GERMANY'S latest breach of the spirit of Versailles, the building of submarines, is stirring up a lot of angry talk in Great Britain, France and Italy. The English are especially disturbed, for they can only vote slowly vividly how near the Germans came to starting their navy on the way to the destruction of shipping by the underseas boats. Anglo-German conversations on a naval treaty were to have been held to London the second week in May, and these may now be called off or at least postponed.

The French are less vexed because they think the development may force a showdown on the treaty clauses of the German navy and Hitler's demand for an equality of status with France in tonnage and approximate parity with that of France. Naval experts in Paris said the disclosure of "evil" was proof of inestimable benefit for military France in awakening naval Britain to the dangers of Hitler's armaments policy."

Information obtained by the powers was that Germany already had under construction a navy of 200 warships, marines and planned a large fleet of them. Spokesmen for the German government denied that any were being built yet, but at the same time admitted that submarines were being "considered" in connection with plans for rebuilding the navy.

HAVING listened to Senator Long of Louisiana and other orators who do not like the administration and its New Deal and also have little love for the G. O. P., the National Farmers' Union in session at Des Moines, Iowa, decided that a third national political party should be formed.

Milo Reno, national president and chief of the association, had a lively encounter with a group of alleged Communists during a business session. They sought adoption of a resolution calling for legislation for "relief without strings," "production credit without strings," and immediate repeal of the AAA. Reno denounced them as Wall Street racketeers and henchmen of Soviet Russia.

"You can't talk. You can't argue. Don't try to get the floor. I'm running this meeting," Reno said. "Sit down and shut up. Get out before we are really mad."

REPUBLICANS of nine midwestern states who met at the Lincoln Day banquets, Mo., decided that the "grass roots" conference of leaders of the party should be held in Springfield, Ill., the date to be fixed later, though it probably will be in June. The chief purpose of this gathering will be the rejuvenation of the party and the launching of a campaign to restore popular government.

POLICE of Havana apparently are well on the way to solution of the mystery of the bomb which destroyed the Ward liner Morro Castle and other recent maritime disasters. They have arrested three men, all natives of Catalan province in Spain, and say that they found on their persons letters of instruction concerning the destruction of the steamship Magallanes of the Spanish line, which was soon due in Havana. The documents, according to the authorities, ordered the accused to "take necessary action to precipitate a disaster similar to that of the Morro Castle." The police say the prisoners are well-known anarchists.

Says WILL ROGERS

BEVERLY HILLS.—Well all I know is just what I read in the papers, or what I gather as I roll down hill and gather no moss. You know all these fellows that write columnistically and grow rich over instead of giving everybody a pain in the neck as I do. When I write something that don't agree with em they throw me in the ash can and they dont read me any more and maby next week I might agree with em, but they dont wait to see.

But its as I was saying before, Some other minor thought interrupted me O. O. McIntyre, Irvin Cobb, Bugs Baer and oi course Mr. Brisbane, they can get that writing business down to a art they can write about anything, and they can make it marvelously readable, Bugs makes it funny, and when I say funny brother I mean funny. He has the queerest and most unique and original slant on humor than any man in the world. You know darn it that fellow is a marvel.

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Homer Croy who wrote "They Had To See Paris" is another that knows just what a character should do, and Owen Davis, the great playwright, has had more successes over a course of years than all of em. I know Owen. There is lots of our stories where we do things to get a laugh, but its not the thing that the real man who we are playing would do. Well thats all not done by one man, its done by two or three men working with a director who can tell when a laugh is out of tune. Cobb, Croy, and Davis can do it.

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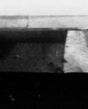

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Golden Dawn

By Peter B. Kyne

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SYNOPSIS

Theodore Gatlin adopts a baby, "Peepsie," in an effort to solve his matrimonial troubles. But his wife has never wanted her, and their affairs take on the divorce course. At a party Gatlin sees a ball striker, Nancy Belden, and Peepsie's child is forgotten. Gatlin spirits the child to Europe. Gatlin wills Peepsie all his money, and is about to begin a search for her when a mother claims his life. Some ten years later, in San Francisco, Stephen Burt, a young psychiatrist, is presented Dan McNamara, chief of police, with a new patient—Nancy Belden, a girl with a dual personality, for which her middle nose" is in part responsible. McNamara does not think she is a criminal and obtains Burt's testimony in court. Leaving the doctor's office Nancy, is also won over. Nance's criminal record outweighs Doctor Burt's explanation of her case and she is sent to the women's prison. Nancy Lanning, Nance's cellmate, although denied access to McNamara's apartment, by which, by McNamara's orders, she is removed to the prison, on which the girl escaped Nancy learns that Nance's real name is Penelope Gatlin. He also discovers that she is heiress to $750,000. Fearful for McNamara, in his official capacity, Nance flees. Lanny finds her in her cabin cruiser, asleep. Knowing detectives are on her trail, she disappears.

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McNamara chuckled. Flynn and Angelloti would waste a great deal of time watching that apartment house in Nob Hill. Nance, discovering Lanny missed, had sought quarters elsewhere. What puzzled McNamara, however, was the girl's failure to communicate with him or Lanny; and he knew that she did not intend to. The fact that she had purchased a letter of credit was proof that she intended leaving the country, and the more the excellent fellow contemplated this the more puzzled he became and the more inclined was he to regard it as a not unmixed blessing.

The more he thought the matter over, the more inclined did he become to take a practical and policeman-like view of the situation. While Nance remained in San Francisco she would be a constant menace to herself and Lanny; if captured she might, during one of her uncontrolled moments, confider it a great joke to tell the world how she had been enabled to escape capture so easily.

"I can't baby the world," he decided. "I'll let her go. She'll probably live abroad, and when her letter of credit is gone she may remember who she is long enough to draw more checks. I am always get a line on her through Sapphire Suste, and if Steve and Lanny still insist on salvaging this nut I'll tell them where to find her. Me, I'm through. If by this pace up I'll be as big a nut as she is."

There is more than a modicum of truth in the ancient adage, "Out of sight, out of mind." Dan McNamara lived a very full life; and when Nance Belden had definitely passed beyond his ken and he knew himself safe at last from the prying of Messrs. Flynn and Angelloti into his private affairs, he forgot the girl, for pressing matters of great importance claimed his attention and he required more first-class assistance than he was receiving. He resolved, therefore, to give Flynn and Angelloti a week in which to make up their minds they had lost the trail; then to call them in.

On the sixth day, however, he received information that the doughty pair were still as busy as two pups with a feather duster. A beautiful lady called on him at his office and told him so.

"And who might you be?" he demanded.

"I'm Susan Engelbright."

"I am not aware that I have the pleasure of your acquaintance, Miss Engelbright."

"You haven't. I was sent up from Oakland."

"Oh! Miss Sapphire Suste! I've heard of you lately."

"Perhaps. I hocked three twelve-carat solitaire rings to raise money and the papers called me Sapphire Suste after that."

"I see you got them out of hock again, Suste."

The girl nodded. "Nance Belden got them out for me."

"Part of the bargain for smuggling that letter out of San Quentin for her, I suppose."

"Never mind what it was for." Sapphire Suste smiled archly and unafraid. "I earned it and she kept her word."

"Check or cash?" McNamara was frightened. If Sapphire Suste had been given a check, then the trail grew cold; they had suddenly remembered her.

That Flynn was a marvel, and Mc-Namara sighed to think the fellow could not be promoted instantly. In all probability he had not at first connected Nance Belden with the glory of Suste's sapphires. Undoubtedly he had jumped to the conclusion that the girl had been up to her old trick of blackmailing some wealthy and socially prominent masculine jackass. So he had looked up her record in the police files. Here he had discovered something that must have convinced him of Suste's total innocence of sapphires during her trial; certainly she had not carried them to San Quentin with her, and the obvious conclusion was that she had pawned them to raise money to pay her attorney. In the hope of discovering the identity of Suste's latest victim (who, he assumed, had redeemed them for her) Flynn had thereupon made a round of the pawnshops and located the one from which the jewels had lately been redeemed; from the pawnbroker he had secured a description of the one who had redeemed them. No pawnbroker would be likely to forget Nance Belden's none!

McNamara shuddered. If Nance should visit Sapphire Suste now, she would undoubtedly walk straight into the arms of the waiting Flynn or Angelloti.

Well, Nance Belden had stolen a dozen pairs of silk hose, but apparently Penelope Gatlin paid her debts. The chief wondered if he had loaned Nance Belden or Penelope Gatlin two hundred dollars, for of course they were two separate and distinct personalities inhabiting the same body. If Nance Belden had accepted the loan, then McNamara could kiss the money good-by, for she'd be in Reno before Penelope Gatlin had accepted it, then, some day, when Nance had changed places with Penelope, he would get it back. Well, he could trace her progress through the world by the drafts she would cash. Her bank in San Jose would give that information readily.

He took down the telephone and called the bank. Yes, a draft had just been in. Drawn for four hundred and thirty-five dollars in favor of the French line, dated three days previously at New York. It had come across the countenet by air mail. McNamara thanked the president of the bank and called up the French line's San Francisco office. After some difficulty he discovered that four hundred and thirty-five dollars was payment of one first-class cabin passage to Havre and that the lie de France had sailed from New York during the past three days.

Instantly Dan McNamara shot a straight telegram to police headquarters in New York, requesting that the passenger list of the lle de France be checked to see whether either Penelope or Penelope Gatlin had taken passage on her. Four hours later he received a reply that Nance Belden was not aboard but that Penelope Gatlin was.

"Nothing is lost if you know where it is." McNamara decided happily, and sent a cable to the prefect of police at Havre, requesting him to pick up Penelope Gatlin on her arrival at that port, shadow her and report by cable, collect, the girl's destination, the names and addresses of those who should meet her and any other information that would aid in keeping track of the girl.

The following day McNamara sent for Detective-Sergeants Flynn and Angelloti. As they ranged themselves in front of his desk, the chief leaned back in his chair and bent upon the pair a long, severe and penetrating look. They grew a little fidgety before he spoke.

"Well, gents, are your private affairs prospering?"

Both shrugged, unwilling to be definite.

"They are unprosperous," the chief challenged. "You have called you in to express the hope that you are now quite willing to abandon your private practice and return to work for the city and county of San Francisco. You are willing to accept a salary from the taxpayers, you know. I may have been mistaken, Angelloti, but I thought I saw you out in Mission recently when you were supposed to be working on that racketeer killing over in South Beach. However, I'll overlook that on the assumption that you permitted yourself to be led astray by Flynn. Flynn, you lay off Sapphire Suste until that enterprising lady has accomplished something you can pin on her. Then bring her in."

"She's done something and I'll pin it on her now," Flynn growled, "and you know what it is." Flynn, being Irish, was unwilling that his chief should regard him as deficient in intelligence and enterprise.

"We understand each other thoroughly, Flynn. You've been after that Belden girl and you've made a mess of it." He opened his desk drawer and drew out two envelopes. One was addressed to Flynn and the other to Angelloti and both envelopes bore the return address of a prominent New York hotel, "ut were neither stamped nor postmarked. "These two envelopes came in a large envelope addressed to me," McNamara explained. "They're yours. Don't be handed each detective his letter and watched as they opened them and drew forth typewritten letters and two hundred and fifty dollars in bills. Flynn's letter was, undoubtedly, a carbon copy of Angelloti's.

Flynn perused his letter and handed it to the chief, who read:

"Dear Mr. Flynn:

"You poor dear, you have worked so hard and so intelligently and in such dreadfully hard luck that my heart goes out to you. You were working for the reward, of course—no doubt because you needed the money. You and Mr. Angelloti would have had to divide two hundred and fifty dollars had you recaptured me, but just to prove I'm a sport and not holding any mean little grudge, I'm sending you each two hundred and fifty dollars. Please be good and try to forget all the unpleasant incidents. You will never get me now, so do give up your attempts, like good boys."

The letter was unsigned.

"How much did you get, Angelloti?" McNamara queried softly.

"Two fifty, Chief."

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Uncommon Sense

By John Blake

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An observing reporter said to me once: "Did you ever notice that when a city man comes out of his home he never looks up at the stars, but a country boy man always does?"

I hadn't noticed it. But from then on I did a little observing and was convinced that my friend was something of an observer on his own account.

I am glad that I thought about this difference, for now is the time when everybody should be an observer.

In the north and middle sections of the country the leaves are coming out, the blossoms are beginning to star the trees, and the brooks, many of them fed by snows that have hidden in fence corners and the edges of the wood, are beginning to sing their songs a little more energetically.

All seasons are miracle seasons on the earth of ours, but the spring is somewhat more noticeable just now.

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Even if you live in the city, and don't like to get your shoes muddy, it will be worth your while to go out of town every Sunday for quite a while.

You will find many things that will interest you—such as little craters in the ground that have been broken through by flower stems so delicate that you wonder how they can shoulder the hard earth out of their upward way.

The early blossoming maples will wear new dresses of pink and green, the pussy willows will be throwing their little furry ears out into the sunlight, and here and there the really beautiful foliage plant that bears the undeserved name of "skunk cabbage" will be rising up to flaunt its fan-like fronds in the open.

The animals, too, will be celebrating the season.

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In a little while the farmer will be doing his spring plowing, with swarms of birds, mostly crows, alighting on the ground behind him to make a quick lunch of the worms his plowshare has brought up from beneath the surface of the soil.

And when the farmer grows a little weary, and leans against the fence to rest himself and his horses, you may learn from him a great many things about sowing and reaping that you never could have found out in a city office.

As a rule we rush through life so rapidly that when we draw near its close we can hardly tell what we have seen and heard.

But the farmer knows better.

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If there were hundreds of Dillingers loose in this country, instead of a few, they would soon be put out of business.

Why Crime Prospers

safely locked up between prison walls.

But we are a lazy people.

What we do not see, doesn't worry us.

Reading the papers, we grow concerned for a while, and say: "Something ought to be done about these bandits and racketeers."

But the trouble is that we do not do anything but talk.

During the last few years there has been an appalling increase of crime.

Part of this is due to the fact that during the days of prohibition lawless men enriched themselves by illicit traffic in liquor, and were easily able to build up small armies of robbers and murderers.

But comparatively few people ever witnessed any of the outrages these people committed.

The rest merely read about them in the newspapers, were shocked and alarmed for a while, and then forgot all about them.

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If statistics could be gathered to show just how many people make their living by theft and murder, it would be found that they were in an extremely small minority.

But once half a dozen of them escape from a penitentiary, or commit crimes without being caught, they grow desperate. They know what will happen to them if they are captured, and recklessly proceed from one outrage to another.

When an epidemic of deadly diseases, like smallpox or cholera, breaks out, the people of the country are aroused, through fear, and take measures to stop them.

Moving from street to street, in city or town, they see the warning cards posted up by epidemic, and say to themselves: "My family is in danger."

Then they are quick to back the authorities in putting an end to the contagion, and presently the peril is at an end.

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But for one reason or another people do not get excited or alarmed about crimes that are committed in distant cities, or even in the city in which they live, if it happens to be a big one, where murders and wholesale theft are almost every day occurrences.

Their usual observation is: "Something ought to be done about that," and then they go back to work or to the ball game, and are thankful that what has been happening to other unfortunates hasn't happened to them, and probably never will.

CHECK EROSION, TO SAVE MONEY

Preservation of Soil Means Lower Taxes.

A taxpaying farmer saves twice when he controls erosion. He saves his basic capital, the soil. And he—and his neighbors also—save as taxpayers, says H. S. Riesbol, United States Department of Agriculture engineer.

When rain falls on a farm the water is an individual farm problem as long as it stays on that farm. The farmer may contrive to save it for his crops or he may let it rob him of his soil by sheet erosion or cut his farm land to pieces by gullying.

But when the water leaves the farm it begins to boost taxes for public works. When a farmer controls erosion, whether by terracing, by planting cover crops, or by strip cropping, he reduces both the quantity of water and the sediment that enters the streams. Also the water that escapes does so at a less rapid rate. Small streams do not flood so quickly or rise so high if the watershed is protected from erosion. Culverts and bridges, says Riesbol, need not be so large and expensive. If erosion is controlled, the streams are not so muddy and there is less expense in making water fit for municipal water supply or for irrigation. Reservoirs, often expensive structures, do not silt up so quickly.

Erosion control, Mr. Riesbol says, is still too new to have had much effect in making possible many notable economies in public works. Individual farmers have protected their fields, but it is only in the year or two that there have been organized demonstrations of what erosion control can do when applied to all or most of the land in a small watershed. This is the type of work, says Mr. Riesbol, which the civil engineers need to watch and study so that they will be ready to take advantage of the economies that will be possible as a result of checking the run-off of water and the waste of soil.

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Washington Kin

Miss Anne Washington, Middleport, Ohio, asserts she is a close kin to George Washington than Miss Anne A. Madison Washington, who flew with Maj. James Doolittle over Washington's Colonial trails recently. Miss Washington bases her assertion on the fact that she is a granddaughter of Andrew Park, Baltimore merchant, who married Harriett, favorite niece of George and daughter of Samuel, George's full brother.

DEBT TO SCIENCE

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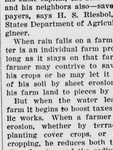

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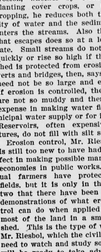

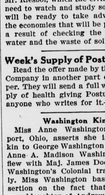

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